

Further northwest, where I live, there is the Interstate 74 Bridge. Just over the weekend, I stood alongside it. It spans the Mississippi River. It was built for traffic of about 40,000 cars. Today it accommodates about twice that many. In fact, former Secretary of Transportation Ray LaHood stood alongside that bridge and said it is the worst bridge he has seen in the United States of America.

The families I represent deserve better. The businesses I represent deserve better. We need to pass a bill, a long-term highway bill, and we need to pass it now.

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IRAN DEAL

(Mr. BABIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BABIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to talk about this Iran deal. President Obama has made a deal with Islamic Republic of Iran, a terrorist regime that regularly leads chants of "Death to America," burns our flag, and has killed hundreds of American soldiers.

In April, Energy Secretary Moniz said inspectors would have "anywhere, anytime access" to Iran's civil and military sites. Unfortunately, this deal sets forth no such requirement.

Under the deal, inspectors can only ask for permission to access Iranian military sites, like their fortified underground facility in Fordow. Decisions about access will be left to Iran's leaders, who have said that inspectors will not be permitted to inspect military sites even "in their dreams."

This deal doesn't require the release of the American hostages being held by Iran's Government. It has no acknowledgement of Israel's right to exist. These provisions would signal that Iran is serious about changing their ways, but they have said no. And that is why Congress should reject this bad deal.

SAN DIEGO PRIDE MONTH

(Mrs. DAVIS of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, June may be LGBT Pride month. Back home in San Diego we continue to celebrate well into July, and we sure have something to be proud of this year.

The Supreme Court finally affirmed what all of us know to be true, that love is love, that equality is for everyone, and that discrimination against one is discrimination against all.

Without knowing the outcome of the Supreme Court decision, but knowing that all are created equal, San Diego Pride appropriately chose this year's theme as "Liberty and Justice for All." As we continue to push toward that goal, we can't forget that there is more to be done.

LGBT individuals still do not have workplace or housing protections in

many States. Many LGBT students aren't protected from bullying in schools, and transgender individuals, in particular, face added obstacles that arise from stigma and ignorance.

So while we have much to be proud of, there is still work for this House to do. Let's come together to ensure that truly there is liberty and justice for all.

IRAN NUCLEAR NEGOTIATION

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, from the very beginning of the negotiations, President Obama and Secretary Kerry placed far too much faith in the Iranian regime. Trusting Iran to adhere to the terms of this agreement is a fool's errand.

This deal allows Iran to continue research on advanced nuclear technologies. Over the course of the deal, the temporary restrictions on Iran's nuclear weapons program will wind down. President Obama admitted himself that toward the end of the agreement Iran's nuclear breakout time could shrink almost down to zero.

Meanwhile, Iran will receive sanction relief, a boon of \$100 billion in frozen assets, at the same time while chanting "death to America" and "death to Israel."

The agreement lifts an arms embargo of conventional weapons in 5 years, and they will even achieve the ability to have intercontinental ballistic missiles in 8 years, meaning Iran will have even more money and more weapons to continue to destabilize Iraq, Syria, and its neighbors in the Mideast and, with the advent of ICBMs, even the United States of America.

Congress now has 60 days to review this plan and see if there is something good in it or not, but we need to be very cautious. Just to take any deal is not a good deal. So it is time that we be tough with Iran.

CUTTING OFF YOUR NOSE TO SPITE YOUR FACE

(Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, as of the first day of this month, thousands of American exporters, big and small, were unilaterally disarmed in the battle for new business overseas.

The conservative Members of this body succeeded in their quest to kill the U.S. Export-Import Bank. They did it. The Ex-Im's charter has expired.

Now there is only the Export-Import Bank of China, the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation of Australia, the Export Development of Canada, Finnish Export Credit, Hungarian Export Credit Insurance, the Israel Export Insurance Corporation, the Japan Bank

for International Cooperation, the Export-Import Bank of Korea, the Norwegian Guarantee Institute for Export Credits, the Export Credit Bank of Turkey, and about 75 other foreign government-run agencies that are all helping businesses, big and small, in their quest to export and create jobs in their countries.

American companies alone find themselves at a distinct disadvantage. Our colleagues have successfully cut off their nose to spite their face.

It is never too late to fix a mistake. Let this Chamber vote on renewing the Export-Import charter and create more American jobs.

IRAN, STATE SPONSOR OF TERROR

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, let's not forget the kind of regime that exists in Iran, a country that will soon be receiving billions of dollars in sanctions relief.

Look at this poster. Friday was Al Quds Day in Iran. And what were they all doing? Officially sanctioned parade, shouting "death to America" and "death to Israel."

Iran has been labeled as a U.S.-designated state sponsor of terrorism for over three decades now. Yet, just yesterday the White House spokesman couldn't even confirm that Iran would remain on the terrorism list after this deal.

How hard a question is it to answer, Mr. Speaker? Will the administration's next concession to Iran be to remove it from the terrorism list in addition to the billions of dollars in sanctions relief?

Doing so would mean that we will be helping to finance Iran's support for terror, most of it aimed at us and our ally, the democratic Jewish State of Israel.

Look at this poster, Mr. Speaker, where the Supreme Leader says, "No cure for barbaric Israel, but total annihilation."

Doing so would be a problem of serious consequences to the United States. Let's get a better, tougher deal. We deserve better.

GI BILL STEM EXTENSION ACT

(Ms. TITUS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Speaker, we all agree that we should provide veterans the tools they need to successfully transition from Active Duty to civilian life. Yet, far too many servicemen and -women are struggling to provide for themselves and their families once they return home. We can and must do better.

That is why I am proud to partner with my Republican colleague, DAVID